# RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTIONER, **CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

Final Filing Date: CONTINUOUS



## **OPEN**

Equal opportunity to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, disability, religious or political AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER affiliation, age or sexual orientation.

**EXAMINATION BASE** 

**DEPARTMENTAL FOR:** 

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated below and who have not previously tested with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) during this testing period. CDCR testing period(s) for this examination are: January - June and July - December. Applications will not be accepted on a promotional basis.

**HOW TO APPLY** 

Submit Examination Application (Std. Form 678)

By mail with: **Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation** Office of Selection Services P.O. Box 942883 Sacramento, CA 94283-0001 (916) 322-2545

In person with: **Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation** Office of Selection Services 1515 "S" Street, Room 522-N Sacramento, CA 95811-7243 (916) 322-2545

If you are personally delivering your application, you must do so between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, on or before the final filing date to the same street address as listed above for the Office of Selection Services.

NOTE: Only applications with an original signature will be accepted.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE/** REQUIREMENTS

Applications will be accepted on a continuous basis.

All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination at the time he or she files his or her application.

### SALARY RANGE(S)

Salary as of: September 1, 2007.

Range A: \$3,050.00 - \$4,079.00 \$3,185.00 - \$4,257.00 Range B: Range C: \$3,328.00 - \$4,449.00

### Alternate Range Criteria:

Range A: This range shall apply to incumbents who are eligible for licensure as Respiratory Care Practitioners as determined by the Respiratory Care Board of California. Range A incumbents must be directly supervised by a Licensed Respiratory Care Practitioner.

**Range B:** This range shall apply to persons who are licensed as Respiratory Care Practitioners (have education and examination as currently required) or who hold a private credential as a Certified Respiratory Therapy Practitioner from the National Board for Respiratory Care.

Range C: This range shall apply to persons who are licensed as a Respiratory Care Practitioner and hold a private credential as a Registered Respiratory Therapist from the National Board for Respiratory Care.

### **BENEFITS**

- Deferred Compensation Plans (Savings pool, 401k and 457 plan)
- \$100 monthly Bilingual Differential Pay
- 75% Reimbursement of Van Pool, \$65 maximum per month (\$100 primary driver)
- 75% Reimbursement of Public Transit Passes, \$65 maximum per month
- Flexible work hours (Management discretion)
- Pre-tax parking (Where applicable)
- Fourteen (14) paid holidays Generous paid vacation/sick leave or annual leave
- Jury duty/military/bereavement leave
- Health, Dental, Vision Care Plans (Rural Health Care Equity Program for areas without HMOs)
- Pre-retirement death benefit
- Dependent Care Program
- Long Term Insurance (CalPERS)
- Home Loan Program (CalPERS)
- Legal Services
- Employee Assistance Program
- Work and Family Advisory Committee
- Institutional Worker Supervision Pay Differential Reimbursement of License/Certificate Renewal Fees (Actual Cost)
- Reimbursement for Mandatory Training and Continuing Education Courses
  California Public Employees' State Safety Retirement System (Exempt from paying into Federal Social Security System)

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#### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

**Education:** Graduation from a school of respiratory therapy approved by the American Medical Association Council on Medical Education for Training of Respiratory Therapists or one supported by the Joint Review Committee for Respiratory Therapy Education.

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A certificate to practice Respiratory Care issued by the Respiratory Care Board of California (formerly the Division of Allied Health Profession of the Medical Board of California).

**Special Personal Characteristics:** Empathetic understanding of patients of a State correctional facility; willingness to work in a State correctional facility; tact; alertness; keenness of observation; aptitude for and interest in working with acute and chronically ill respiratory clients; sympathetic understanding of respiratory clients, their attitudes and problems; willingness to comply with prescribed procedures; patience and emotional stability; aptitude and interest in working with long-term ventilator and immunosuppressed dependent clients.

**Special Physical Characteristics:** Persons appointed to this position must be reasonably expected to have and maintain sufficient strength, agility and endurance to perform during stressful (physical, mental and emotional) situations encountered on the job without compromising their health and well being or that of their fellow employees or that of inmates.

Assignments may include sole responsibility for the supervision of inmates and/or the protection of personal and real property.

Additional Desirable Qualifications: Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated above include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "or" II, "or" III, etc. For example, candidates who possess qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to an examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

# EXAMINATION PLAN

This examination will consist solely of an evaluation of each candidate's experience and education compared to a standard developed from the class specification. For this reason, it is especially important that each candidate take special care to accurately complete their application. List all experience relevant to the "Minimum Qualifications" shown on this announcement. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70.00% must be attained.

# ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

Names of successful candidates are merged into the list(s) in order of final scores, regardless of date. Eligibility expires 12 months after establishment, unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list(s) warrant a change in this period.

# POSITION DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION(S)

A Respiratory Care Practitioner, under general medical supervision, in a State correctional facility in the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, to assist in the evaluation of pulmonary dysfunction in clients/inmates; to provide care and treatment for clients with pulmonary disorders by means of respiratory therapy, chest physical therapy, and ventilator assistance; to maintain order and supervise the conduct of inmates; to protect and maintain the safety of persons and property; and to do other related work.

Positions exist with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation at the California Medical Facility in Vacaville

# SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box on the "Examination Application." You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

#### VETERANS POINTS/ CAREER CREDITS

Veteran's Preference Points will be granted in this examination. Due to changes in the law, which were effective January 1, 1996, veterans who have achieved permanent civil service status are not eligible to receive Veteran's Preference Points. Career credits will not be granted in this examination.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revisions will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

**Examination Locations:** If this examination requires a written test and/or oral interview, they will be scheduled throughout the State at the correctional institutions, youth facilities, and/or parole regions. However, locations of the written test and/or oral interview may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

**Eligible Lists:** Eligible lists established by a competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional; 2) departmental promotional; 3) multidepartmental promotional; 4) servicewide promotional; 5) departmental open; 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first.

If you meet the requirements stated in this bulletin, you may take this examination. Possession of the entrance requirement(s) does not assure success in the examination or placement on the employment list. All candidates who pass the examination described in this bulletin will be ranked according to their scores.

**General Qualifications:** Competitors must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination and fingerprinting may be required. In open examinations, an investigation may be made of employment records and personal history.

**Veterans Preference:** California law allows the granting of Veterans Preference Points in Open Entrance and Open, Nonpromotional Entrance examinations. Veterans Preference Points will be added to the final score of all competitors who are successful in these types of examinations and qualify for and have requested these points. Credit in **Open Entrance** examinations is granted as follows: 10 points for veterans, widows and widowers of veterans and spouses of 100% disabled veterans; and 15 points for disabled veterans. Directions to apply for Veteran's Preference Points are on the Veterans Preference Applications (Std. Form 1093) which is available from the State Personnel Board, Sacramento, CA 94244 and the Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 942895, Sacramento, CA 94295-0001.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

## ONLY INDIVIDUALS LAWFULLY AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES WILL BE HIRED

## FOR CURRENT CDCR TESTING INFORMATION CALL (916) 322-2545

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